Claim 14, line 4, between "comprising" and "a" insert

-- essentially --; line 8, delete "an" and delete "distinctive";

after "patterning" insert -- sandwiched therebetween --.

Claim 12, line 2, insert a comma after "compositions";

line 3, change "distinctive pattern" to -- patterning --.

Claim 16, lines 1 and 2, change "laminar...design" to

-- patterning --;

line 2, change "impregnated into" to -- adherent to --;

line 5, change "and acrylic" to -- acrylates, and --.

Claim 17, line 1, change "including" to -- plus --;

between "surface" and "away" insert -- of the headgear --.

line 2, change "its" to -- the --; delete "inner"; and

Add the following claims.

-- 24. Method of making protective headgear, comprising the following steps:

forming an opaque sheet of durable plastic composition into a generally hemispherical headgear configuration;

forming a translucent sheet of durable plastic composition into a like hemispherical headgear configuration adjacent the exterior of opaque the first so shaped sheet;

including an intermediate step of providing laminar patterning therebetween, initially associated more closely with one such sheet than with the other such sheet; and

solidifying the respective sheets into composite headgear configuration with the patterning visible to outside viewers of it. --

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-- 25. Method according to claim 24, including a preliminary step of providing the first such sheet with such patterning on the face thereof at the outside of its hemispherical configuration.

of providing the second such sheet with such patterning on the face thereof at the inside of its hemispherical configuration. --

-- 27. Method according to claim 24, including a preliminary step of configuring such patterning so distorted when viewed flat that it becomes undistorted in hemispherical headgear configuration. --

-- 28. Patterned generally hemispherical headgear produced by the method of claim 24. --

Status Summary

Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration of this application, which now contains claims 11, 12, 15 to 18, and 24 to 27--a total of ten claims--11, 15, and 24 being independent.

A disclosure objection was made to a wrong reference number.

A drawing objection required showing of distinct patterning.

No rejection upon prior art was asserted by the Examiner.

Claim 11, 15, 17, and 18 were found allowable, subject to being rewritten to overcome 35 USC 112 ¶2 rejections for indefiniteness, and to include the subject matter of any intermediate claim(s). The present response undertakes to obviate any indefiniteness rejection, amending independent claim 11, and rewriting independent claim 15.

Claims 12, 16, and 17 are amended hereby for related reasons.

New claims 24 to 27 are drawn to methods of making the headgear of this invention, and claim 28 is a product-by-process claim.

